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THIRD INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the documents listed on the enclosed PTO-1449 form. Copies of the listed documents, other than U.S. patent documents, are also enclosed.

REMARKS

The following documents were cited in a March 16, 2007 Japanese Official Action (copy enclosed) of a foreign counterpart application (Japanese Patent Appln. No. 11-272986) corresponding to the subject application:

- (1) JP-A 09-288684;
- (2) JP-A 09-083955;

- (3) JP-A 10-042279;
- (4) JP-A 10-051674;
- (5) JP-A 10-191143;
- (6) JP-A 11-098481;
- (7) JP-A 09-070034;
- (8) JP-A 11-242523;
- (9) JP-A 10-243285;
- (10) JP-A 10-164419;
- (11) JP-A 11-203299;
- (12) JP-A 11-112857;
- (13) JP-A 09-160925;
- (14) JP-A 11-103451;
- (15) JP-A 10-063749;
- (16) JP-A 10-097637; and
- (17) JP-A 11-265390.

Applicants respectfully submit that Documents (6)-(17) did not constitute the grounds for rejection. English-language Abstracts for the JP-A documents were obtained from a commercial database and are also enclosed.

#### STATEMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(e)

Each item of information in this information disclosure statement was first cited in any communication from a foreign Patent Office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing date of this Statement.

#### FORMAL MATTERS

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#### CONCLUSION

It is respectfully requested that the above information be considered by the Examiner and that a copy of the enclosed Form PTO-1449 be returned indicating that such information has been considered.

Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our Washington D.C. office by telephone at (202) 530-1010. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our address given below.

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		10-191143	07/21/1998	Japan			Abstract
		11-098481	04/09/1999	Japan			Abstract
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